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Title: AIR PERMEABLE, WATER REPELLANT ACOUSTIC
                              WATERSHIELD

INTERVIEW SUMMARY PURSUANT TO 1.133(b)

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Sir:

The Applicants thank Examiner Ruddock for the courtesies extended during the interview conducted on December 3, 2007 at the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Attending this interview were Steven Lenda, co-inventor in this matter, and Applicants' attorney, Denise M. Glassmeyer. Exhibits of the Applicants' invention as well as material constructed according to the prior art disclosed in the Tilton reference were presented and discussed.

Additionally, it was discussed that the Tilton reference teaches away from laminates, specifically at Paragraph 21, and teaches compression of fibers in a way that lacks the fluid repellency of the present invention.
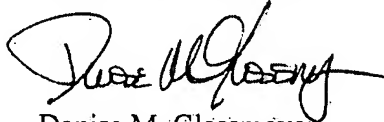
Examiner Ruddock indicated that claims presented including the limitations of water-resistance in the first layer would overcome the rejection of Tilton in view of Thompson.

Applicants' attorney indicated that an amendment will be forthcoming in which the laminated relationship of the first and second layers will be articulated as well as the fluid repellency of the first layer. This Amendment would be accompanied by a declaration by Mr. Lenda further outlining tests and observations made with regard to the invention as claimed as well as materials

prepared according to the disclosure of Tilton as well as materials that meet the disclosure of the Thompson reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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